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RESPONSE TO AUGUST 22, 2006 NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION,
INCLUDING PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND
AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Receipt of the August 22, 2006 non-final Office Action, which allowed a three-month shortened statutory period for response, is acknowledged. Filing of this paper, which includes a petition for one-month extension of time (which makes the deadline December 22, 2006), is timely because it is being deposited with the United States Postal Service (with a Certificate Of Mailing) on or before December 22, 2006.

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The claims are being amended and applicants believe that no additional fee is required for the amendment.

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Reference will be made to a paper previously filed on June 5, 2006 (mailed May 30, 2006) by applicants, namely, Response To January 30, 2006 Non-Final Office Action, Including Petition For Extension Of Time And Amendment, and that paper is hereafter referred to as the "**June 5, 2006 Response.**"

Reference will also be made to the *Manual Of Patent Examining Procedure*, 8th Edition (August 2001), Revision 5 (August 2006), which is hereafter referred to as the "**MPEP.**"

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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time to respond to the August 22, 2006 Office Action, which set a three-month shortened statutory deadline for response. With the granting of that request, the deadline for response becomes December 22, 2006. A check for \$120.00 payable to the Director for the extension fee is enclosed.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows. All of the requested amendments are fully supported by the application as filed.